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Jorgensen: Republican Dumpster-Fire Budget Will Burn for Generations

MADISON – After a full day of debate, Assembly Democratic Caucus Chair and State Representative Andy Jorgensen (D-Milton) voted against passage of the Republican budget and released this statement:

"The Republican budget is irresponsible and ill-conceived. Not only have Republicans turned a \$500 million surplus into a \$500 million deficit, but in the process, they have also threatened the things hard-working Wisconsinites hold dear: public schools, the UW system, natural resources, and lifeline programs for our grandparents and others in need.

"Make no mistake, this budget will hurt. There will be more potholes and larger class sizes. There will be smaller paychecks and fewer job opportunities. There will be bigger tax bills for our children and grandchildren. And, worse of all: it didn't have to be this way.

"Tonight, Assembly Democrats offered common-sense amendments, amendments that would have safeguarded our children, our veterans, and the elderly from the worst of the worst in this budget. But, time and again, Republicans refused to join with us in the best interest of our neighbors.

"This Republican budget is a raging dumpster-fire fueled by sweetheart deals and partisan policy that will burn for generations to come."

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